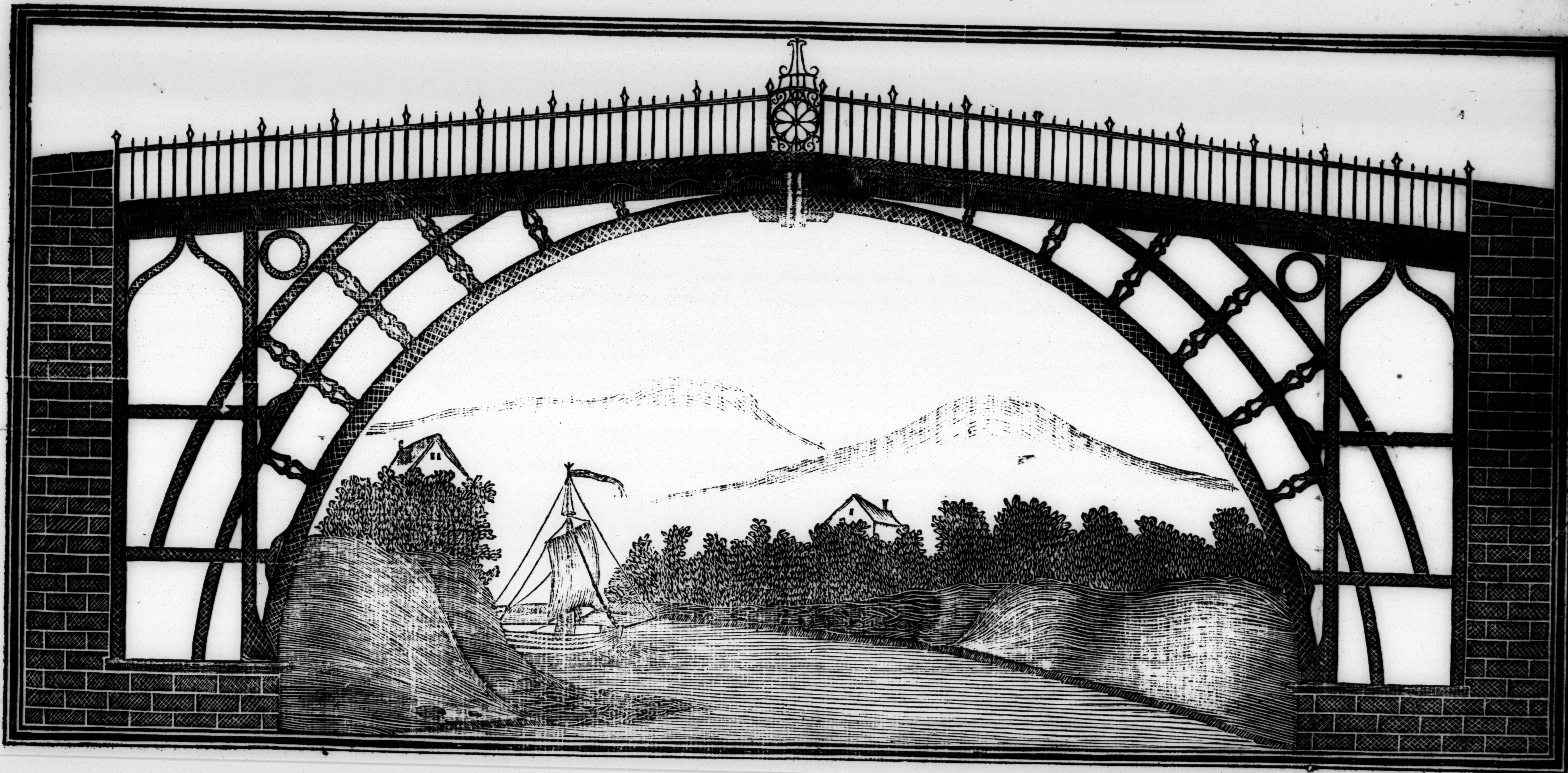


A View of the Iron BRIDGE, erected over the River SEVERN,
Near COALBROOK-DALE, in the County of SALOP.



THIS amazing Structure was cast at COALBROOK-DALE, in the Year 1778, and erected in the Years 1779 and 1780. The expansion of the Arch is 100 Feet within, and its height 45, which, with the additional height of the Walls it is supported on, makes it near 55 Feet from the Water: It is composed of five such Arches or Ribs as above represented, standing about two yards asunder, which form a Road over the top of about eight yards wide and 100 in length, cover'd with strong Iron Plates.

Notwithstanding the great weight of the several pieces which form these Arches (many of them containing more than six Tons of Metal) the height to which they were raised, the difficulty with which they were fixed into the several Mortices &c. prepared for them, the whole was conducted with such care and skill, that not any material accident happen'd either to the Men or Work.—The whole Bridge is computed to contain 500 Tons of Iron. The Parishes of MADELEY and BENTHAL are the Atlases that bear the enormous Load, one foot being placed in the first, the other in the last mention'd Parish; where it now stands an indisputable proof of the abilities of our Mechanics and Workmen.

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